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DOT-E 13997
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EXPIRATION DATE: December 31, 2006

1. GRANTEE: Maritime Helicopters, Inc.
Homer, AK
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
 - a. This exemption authorizes the transportation in commerce of Propane in DOT specification 51 portable tanks exceeding the weight limitations authorized for shipment by cargo aircraft. This exemption provides no relief from any Hazardous Materials Regulation (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein.
 - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this exemption only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 172.101(9B) in that the quantity limitation for Propane by cargo aircraft is exceeded; and § 172.302(c) in that marking the portable tanks with the exemption number is waived.
5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the application of Maritime Helicopters, Inc., dated October 27, 2004, submitted in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon.

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6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Proper Shipping Name/ Hazardous Materials Description	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
Propane	2.1	UN1075	n/a

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES: PACKAGING - Packagings prescribed are DOT specification 51 portable tanks with a capacity of 120 gallons.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

- a. The portable tank must be properly secured as an jettisonable-external sling load.
- b. The marking requirement in § 172.302(c) is waived.
- c. Transportation is authorized only for remote locations within the State of Alaska. The flight path must be over a non-populated area.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Cargo aircraft only.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:

- a. A current copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each cargo aircraft used to transport packages covered by this exemption. The shipper must furnish a copy of this exemption to the air carrier before or at the time the shipment is tendered.
- b. Advance Notice of FAA Civil Aviation Security Regional Dangerous Goods/Cargo Security Coordinator (DG/CS). Notify the regional DG/CS Coordinator in the region where the flight will originate. This notification must be given at least 48 hours in advance of plans to operate under the exemption, unless prior arrangements have been made with the cognizant regional DG/CS Coordinator. The notification will include the point of departure and destination and a loading and departure schedule.

11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:

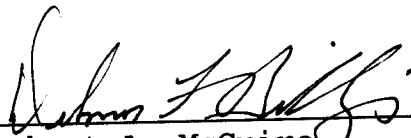
- o All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
- o Persons operating under the terms of this exemption must comply with the security plan requirement in Subpart I of Part 172 of the HMR, when applicable.
- o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when this exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (Sections 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder(s) of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incident involving the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:


for Robert A. McGuire
Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety

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(DATE)

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590.
Attention: DHM-31.

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